



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: KAZAMA, Toshio
Assignee: NHK Spring Co., Ltd.
Title: Electric Contact Probe Assembly
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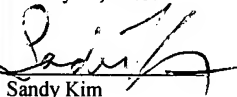
PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Dear Sir:

Applicant respectfully petitions for a 2-month extension of time within which to respond to the December 18, 2002 outstanding Office Action, such extension allowing the undersigned until May 19, 2003 to respond.

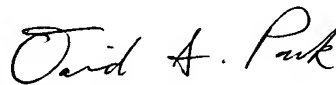
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